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AVOCADOS

FLORIDA AGRICULTURE



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FLORIDA: The forecast of avocados for certified shipments is continued at 900,000 bushels. This is slightly more than the 891,000 bushels shipped the previous season but less than the 938,000 bushels of the 1997-98 season.

Summer varieties are reported lighter set than last season, with fall and winter varieties slightly higher. Shipments through August at 368,400 bushels are slightly

higher than the previous season but less than the 1997-98 season which was advanced in maturity.

CALIFORNIA: Shipments through August total 4,815,000 bushel equivalents, almost 1 million bushel equivalents less than last season to the same time. Two months remain in the marketing season.

FLORIDA: Estimated certified shipments of avocados, 1999-2000 season, with comparisons - Season: April 1 - March 31

Season	Shipments through August	Remaining to be shipped	Total shipments
Bushels			
Certified:			
1989-90	385,000	915,000	1,300,000
1990-91	285,900	466,100	752,000
1991-92	403,800	707,200	1,111,000
1992-93	274,700	9,300	284,000
1993-94	27,000	148,000	175,000
1994-95	233,500	545,500	779,000
1995-96	243,900	500,100	744,000
1996-97	286,700	631,300	918,000
1997-98	425,900	512,100	938,000
1998-99	356,300	534,700	891,000
Estimated			
1999-00	368,400	531,600	900,000

CALIFORNIA: Estimated avocado shipments, 1998-99 season, with comparisons - Season: November 1 - October 31

Variety	1997-98 season	1998-99 season		
	Total shipments	Shipments through August	Remaining to be shipped	Estimated total shipments
Bushels ^{1/}				
Fuerte	93,000	104,000	2,000	106,000
Hass	5,376,000	4,305,000	137,000	4,442,000
Other	629,000	406,000	64,000	470,000
Total	6,098,000	4,815,000	203,000	5,018,000

^{1/} Pounds converted to bushels at 50 pound equivalents.